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PULSE CAUGHT 'BIEBER FEVER'

Justin Bieber lost at the Grammy's, but had success at last weekend's Box Office. See Pulse on PAGE 8.

Park hosts performing artists during lunch hour

By Geoff Burns
Reporter

People who want a little music with their lunch can attend the "Brown Bag Music Series" at the Simpson Building on Conneaut Avenue.

Members of the Bowling Green Parks and Recreation Department host the event every year, where a musical artist will perform for about an hour Fridays during January,

"I love to perform, so I will take any opportunity I can ..."

Kristin Otley | Special Events

February and March.

"It's just kind of a nice Friday afternoon, giving people something to do when it's really cold out and they can't get in the park," said Kristin Otley,

sports and special events director.

The Parks and Recreation Department has an event during the summer called "Lunch in the Park," where a restaurant provides food and a musical artist performs. Brown Bag Music Series is an event that is similar to Lunch in the Park, only people bring their own food, hence

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CAMPUS BRIEF

Applications due today for undergraduate Board of Trustees representative

The Undergraduate Student Government is seeking a qualified student to serve as the undergraduate representative to the University Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees is the University's highest governing body. It is comprised of 11 members, including one graduate student and one undergraduate student. The newly selected student representative will serve one two-year term, beginning May 17 and ending May 16, 2013, according to USG guidelines.

Applicants must be full-time University students and Ohio residents with at least

a 3.0 cumulative GPA. They also must be juniors in good academic standing with no disciplinary sanctions.

Application forms can be found at www.bgsu.edu/usg and are due today to Dan Caldwell, USG vice president and chair of the Undergraduate Board of Trustees Search Committee.

Interviews for select candidates will be conducted Feb. 21.



PLAY IT SAM: Senior Music Education major Sam Jaws plays Thursday night at the Union Ballroom. She said she started playing guitar and that it was her aspiration to be a teacher. She is currently student teaching at Wayne High School.

As spring arrives so do opportunities for students to apply for scholarships

Financial Aid office offers new scholarships, awards more than \$30 million annually

By Janae Avery
Reporter

The Financial Aid office has new scholarships available for students, and the time to begin the process of applying is fast approaching.

"Now is prime hunting season," said Assistant Director of Scholarships Robin Belleville.

Belleville said spring is the biggest time of year for scholarships. Though most scholarship deadlines are in the spring, there are others with deadlines at other parts of the year, so students should apply year round, she said.

Students looking for additional funding for school can visit the Office

of Student Financial Aid in room 231 of the Administration Building.

The University awards more than \$30 million in scholarships annually, and student eligibility for scholarships is tied to the program in which they are enrolled, according to the Financial Aid website.

Jim Foust, associate professor and chair of the Department of Journalism, said faculty and staff have been surprised by the low numbers of students applying for scholarships. He said with the rising cost of college and the fall of the economy, the opposite should be true.

"There is money out there that students are not aware they are eligible for," Foust said. "You eliminate your-

self if you don't even apply."

Belleville said she received a new scholarship opportunity for students just this week. The Shannon Wise Marks Memorial Scholarship is being offered to full-time females who will be juniors or seniors next school year. The scholarship is for students majoring in computer science.

This is just one of the many new opportunities being presented for students.

Belleville said the wall outside of the Financial Aid office is regularly updated as new scholarship opportunities arrive. Scholarship applica-

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University professor wins plagiarism lawsuit

By Hannah Sparling
Senior Reporter

An Ohio State University graduate has agreed to pay a University professor \$15,000 in a plagiarism lawsuit settled outside of court.

OSU also revoked Elisabeth Nixon's doctorate degree after an academic-misconduct committee found her guilty of plagiarizing University Professor Montana Miller's work for her dissertation, according to court documents.

In the settlement, Nixon agreed to pay Miller \$222.22 a month for 44 months and \$222.32 in the 45th month, for a total of \$10,000. If Nixon makes the payments on time, she does not have to pay the remaining \$5,000. If she fails to pay, the court documents state, Miller can immediately

"If I didn't already know of her and what she studied, I never would have found it."

Montana Miller | Professor

collect the full \$15,000.

Miller, who teaches in the Popular Culture department, said she discovered Nixon had plagiarized her work when she was revising her own doctoral dissertation to be published as a book. She knew Nixon did research in the same field and wanted to see if she should refer her readers to any of

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WINTERFEST

Celebrate remains of winter

Check out a preview of Winterfest and a calendar of events for the weekend activities coming up to celebrate the winter season | Page 5

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'Devil's advocate' resurrected

Columnist Stephan Reed informs students that playing the 'Devil's advocate' can stimulate the mind to think from different angles | Page 4

SPORTS

Spring arrives and so does baseball

Led by coach Danny Schmitz, the BG baseball team begins its 2011 campaign today in Bowling Green, KY. Senior pitcher Charles Wooten is expected to start the first game | Page 6

PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What's your favorite restaurant in Bowling Green?



COREY CHISLOW
Freshman, Finance and
'Frickers' | Page 4



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the brown bag, instead of the restaurant running in the winter, Otley said. Not only do the people enjoy this event, but the performers do as well.

"The acoustic is really good in there, so it's easy to sing," said performing College of Musical Arts teacher Chelsea Cloeter. "It's a nice size of a room and not too big for an audience while at the same time there are tables for people to eat at."

Cloeter likes performing at the music series because she tries to get her students involved as much as she can to have them experience doing a live performance.

"I like to perform at concerts with my students because it's good for me to feel what they're going through. It's good for them to see what I'm modeling and teaching them to do," Otley said. "I love to perform, so I will take any opportunity I can get."

Students can enjoy the Brown Bag Music Series, too. Freshman Jon Tatarko said there's a good energy about the shows and that "there isn't anything better."

"I really like it," Tatarko said. "The atmosphere is cool with a smooth feeling energy."

The Brown Bag Music Series are Fridays at 11:45 a.m. in the Simpson Building banquet room, which is part of the Parks and Recreation Department at 1291 Conneaut Ave. The next event is today at the same time. For more information and dates for the events, see their website, www.bgoio.org (Parks and Recreation).

Boy dies after Apple store dispute

COLUMBUS (AP) — A 15-year-old boy who was shot in the head following a dispute inside an Apple store has died, and a new charge is possible for an older brother accused in the shooting, a prosecutor said Thursday.

Andrake Kelley died Wednesday, police homicide detectives said in a news release. He sustained a single gunshot wound to the head in the shooting that rattled shoppers Saturday night at Easton Town Center, a shopping center with upscale stores about 8 miles northeast of downtown Columbus, police said.

The boy's brother, Andrew Kelley, 16, was charged Monday with a delinquency count of felonious assault in the shooting. Franklin

County Assistant Prosecutor Dennis Hogan said he planned to meet soon with detectives about possibly amending the charge in light of Andrake Kelley's death. Hogan declined to say what new charge could be filed.

The shooting in an outdoor area of the mall followed an altercation inside the Apple store, police have said. Detective Steve Glasure told The Columbus Dispatch words were exchanged between two groups of youths and that Andrew Kelley fired shots into the air. Police would not say if they believed he intended to shoot his brother, the newspaper reported.

Glasure did not immediately return a phone message Thursday.

Ryan Landin, a firefighter from Mansfield in north central Ohio, said he was inside a store at Easton when several teens came running in saying there had been a shooting. Landin and his girlfriend, an EMT, went out to attend to the wounded teen.

"There wasn't anybody around. I didn't see any crowds. All the teens I guess that were involved in the situation must have fled," Landin told The Associated Press Thursday.

Andrew Kelley was held in juvenile detention Thursday awaiting a March 4 court appearance. A message was left for his attorney.

Hogan said he filed a motion seeking to have the teen tried as an adult.

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tions are also available on the University's Financial Aid website.

The Financial Aid office also has a main scholarship application students can use for any scholarships requiring an application listed in the scholarship guide. This application is available in print and online. It is due April 29 and is

a great way to apply for multiple scholarships at once.

Belleville said scholarship recipients can expect to earn anywhere from \$75 to full tuition, though the higher awards are less common.

The Financial Aid office offers various scholarship opportunities, and students can expand their search even further.

Belleville said she encourages students to do their research and think about

companies that would interact within their major. She said usually if companies are big enough, they will offer assistance for students studying in related fields.

When students are hesitant to apply for scholarships, Belleville said she offers some encouragement.

"Apply even if you think it is a long shot; sometimes you have a chance when there are not a lot of applicants," Belleville said.

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Nixon's work.

"If I didn't already know of her and what she studied, I never would have found it," Miller said. "I actually looked to see if she had written anything. I actually thought I might cite her."

Online, Miller found Nixon's dissertation, which contained "significant and substantial" passages, some word for word, from her own, according to court documents. Miller filed a complaint in August, and the settlement was reached in December.

"The settlement that she and I reached was, for me, not about punishment, it was about damages," Miller said. "And the damages are simply my legal costs. It had nothing to do with profit, because no one makes a profit from edu-

cational books."

Miller said the \$15,000 only covers about half of what she spent on legal fees.

Tom Matrk, a graduate student at OSU, followed the Nixon-Miller case on his blog, ohiouniversityplagiarism.blogspot.com. Matrk's blog is devoted to plagiarism at Ohio University, where he earned his undergraduate degree, but he said plagiarism is a problem at many colleges and universities. He said he was impressed with the way OSU handled Nixon's case.

"We've got to find out. We need to know how many bogus degrees have been awarded in this country," he said. "The rules are still in place, it still says you can't plagiarize ... but then it looks like professors are ignoring those rules."

At the University, 146 cases of plagiarism were reported in the 2009-10 school year,

according to records kept by the Academic Honesty Committee. The year before, there were 142 cases and during 2007-08, there were 103.

"I think most students don't cheat," said Sara Bushong, a University professor and coordinator of the committee. "But it's surprising how many people do."

From 1996-97, the earliest year for which the committee has records, only 41 cases of plagiarism were reported at the University. Bushong said one reason for the increase could be the Internet making it easier to cheat. But she said it could also be that more professors are reporting plagiarism now or that students were just better at not getting caught before.

"I don't know if I could say that more people are cheating or not," she said. "All cases are supposed to be reported, but there's no way to know if this represents all cases."

Neo-Nazi executed for 3 deaths 25 years ago

Frank Spisak is last to use specific injection

By Andrew Welsh-Huggins
The Associated Press

said Jeffrey Duke, the brother of slaying victim Brian Warford.

LUCASVILLE, Ohio — Ohio executed a neo-Nazi Thursday who shot two men and a teen to death at Cleveland State University more than a quarter-century ago in a shooting spree that targeted blacks.

Frank Spisak, who read Bible verses in German for a final statement, was pronounced dead at 10:34 a.m. after an injection of sodium thiopental at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility.

Spisak, 59, is expected to be the last Ohio inmate to die by sodium thiopental, the scarce drug the state is giving up in favor of a more readily available substitute.

Spisak also set the Ohio record for the longest time on death row before execution, at more than 27 years.

Spisak blamed the 1982 shootings on a hatred of gays, blacks and Jews and on a mental illness related to sexual identity confusion. Spisak has identified as a woman and in correspondence by the name Frances Spisak, a name that defense attorneys also used.

Spisak read the first seven Bible verses in Chapter 7 of the book of Revelation from a handwritten yellow paper held overhead by a prison official, speaking in a halting voice and sometimes having trouble reading the verses.

"Heil Herr," Spisak appeared to say when finished. The phrase is not used in German, and Spisak's meaning was unclear.

The killer stopped reading one verse short of a verse that refers to murderers and other wrongdoers being punished.

Spisak's struggles with German drew snickers from witnesses.

"Speak English, you fool,"

Warford was black, as was Spisak's first victim, Rev. Horace Rickerson.

Last month, attorneys asked the Ohio Parole Board to spare Spisak's life, saying their client suffers from a severe bipolar disorder that was not diagnosed until years after the conviction.

Spisak continued to take medication until the end, receiving 300 milligrams of Lithium at 6:44 a.m., according to prison records.

But both the parole board and Gov. John Kasich, making his first decision on a condemned killer's request for mercy, rejected Spisak's plea.

Warford was taking classes at Cleveland State as an alternative education student earning his high school degree when he was shot and killed in 1982.

Rickerson, 57, was killed Feb. 1 in a campus bathroom where he had rebuffed Spisak's sexual advances. The following Aug. 27, Timothy Sheehan, 50, a white man who worked in Cleveland State's maintenance department, was killed because Spisak believed Sheehan might have witnessed Rickerson's shooting.

John Hardaway was shot seven times as he waited for a commuter train by a man later identified as Spisak. He survived and had planned to witness the execution. On Aug. 9, 1982, Coletta Dartt, a white university employee, was shot at as she exited a bathroom stall. She pushed Spisak away and ran.

Spisak was caught in early September 1982 after firing a gun out of an apartment window. Spisak told investigators of "hunting parties" to shoot black people.

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Bahrain locked down after protesters killed

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Bahrain's leaders banned public gatherings and sent tanks into the streets Thursday, intensifying a crackdown that killed five anti-government protesters, wounded more than 200 and turned a hospital into a cauldron of anguish and rage against the monarchy.

Bahrain's streets were mostly empty after the bloody clampdown, but thousands defied authorities by marching in cities in Libya and Yemen as the wave of political unrest continued in the wake of uprisings that toppled leaders in Egypt and Tunisia.

The tiny kingdom of Bahrain is a key part of Washington's military counterbalance to Iran by hosting the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet. Bahrain's rulers and their Arab allies depict any sign of unrest among their Shiite populations as a move by neighboring Shiite-majority Iran to expand its clout in the region.

While part of the recent revolt in the Arab world, the underlying tensions in Bahrain are decades old and pit the majority Shiites against the Sunni elite.

Saudi prince calls for reform amid regional unrest

LONDON (AP) — The protests and unrest in Arab countries may be dangerous for Saudi Arabia if King Abdullah does not step up the pace of reform, a Saudi prince said Thursday.

Prince Talal bin Abdul-Aziz, a half brother of the king, said it was not too late for the Saudi government to take steps to avoid protests — and that the king is the only person who can bring about major changes.

"The only person who could really maintain things and do major things and change is King Abdullah," the prince told BBC Arabic in an interview. "Because he is not merely liked, but he is loved by the people. But if he doesn't do it, it would be very dangerous in our country."

Talal is an outspoken prince who has called for reform before. He holds no government posts and is considered something of an outsider within the royal family.

He was forced briefly into exile in the 1960s amid reports at the time that he planned a revolt.

Rio de Janeiro police chief accused of leaks

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The Brazilian officer who resigned this week as commander of Rio de Janeiro state's investigative police has been formally accused of leaking information about a corruption bust involving cops.

Allan Turnowski says he is being accused by federal police of leaking word of their investigation into corrupt police to at least one of the 30 officers arrested.

Under Brazilian law, a prosecutor still must study the investigation and decide if charges are warranted.

Turnowski said Thursday that he is innocent. If charged and found guilty, he could face two years in prison.

Rio is trying to root out corrupt police and improve security before the city hosts the 2014 World Cup and the 2016 Olympics.

Egypt arrests 3 ex-ministers, corruption alleged

CAIRO (AP) — Egyptian authorities arrested Thursday former Interior Minister Habib el-Adly and two other ex-ministers who are under investigation for corruption, security officials said.

Authorities also arrested steel tycoon Ahmed Ezz, once a prominent member of the ouster leader Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party.

El-Adly, whose job gave him control over the 500,000-strong security forces, has been widely blamed for the deadly brutality used by riot police against demonstrators in massive protests that began Jan. 25 and forced Mubarak to step down Feb. 11. El-Adly served in his former post for 12 years.

News of el-Adly's arrest followed the detention earlier Thursday of former Housing Minister Ahmed Maghrabi, ex-Tourism Minister Zuheir Garana and Ezz.

All four face allegations that range from money laundering to abuse of authority and squandering state wealth.

Yemenis press anti-government protests

SANAA, Yemen (AP) — Thousands of protesters defied appeals for calm from the military and the country's most influential Islamic cleric and marched in cities across Yemen Thursday, pressing on with their campaign to oust the U.S.-allied president.

In the capital Sanaa, protesters fought off attacks by police and government supporters swinging batons and daggers. Municipal vehicles ferried sticks and stones to the pro-government side, witnesses said.

In the port city of Aden, protesters burned tires and government vehicles the day after security forces killed two demonstrators there, witnesses said.

For seven straight days, protests have hit the capital, Sanaa, and other cities in the Arab world's poorest country, a mountainous territory wracked by tribal conflicts, armed rebellion and other serious woes.

NATO, Afghan forces detain insurgent leaders

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — NATO and Afghan forces captured leaders of an insurgent group in eastern Afghanistan, including one believed to be linked to last month's suicide attack on a Kabul supermarket, the coalition said Thursday. Insurgent attacks elsewhere killed three, including a NATO service member.

The detainees were identified as members of Hizb-i-Islami, a militant group made up of loyalists of regional warlord Gulbuddin Hekmatyar. Among those captured was the group's Kabul-based "media emir" — typically a senior official responsible for disseminating propaganda. He was arrested Wednesday in Parwan province.

NATO said the media emir, who was not identified, has ties to multiple militant groups, including the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan and the Taliban, and was involved in suicide bombings in November and January. The most recent blast killed eight people in the Western-style Finest supermarket near embassies in the Afghan capital.



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"There is money out there that students are not aware they are eligible for. You eliminate yourself if you don't even apply."

—Jim Foust, associate professor and Department of Journalism Chair, on scholarships [see story, pg. 1].

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET



"Panera."
LAUREN MCCARTNEY
Senior,
Education Sciences



"Chipotle."
JON KIEDING
Freshman,
Business Management



"Pita Pit."
BRITTANY GREEN
Freshman,
Communication
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Playing 'Devil's advocate' can be fun, enlightening



STEPHAN REED
COLUMNIST

Do you want to try something fun? Try being a Devil's advocate.

The term "Devil's advocate" is synonymous with the canonization of saints. For instance, the church was looking to canonize Mother Teresa as a saint, and they have a specific role called the "Devil's Advocate" that literally challenges any evidence as to why she should be a saint.

If one member says she was a great person, the response would be, "Yeah, but aren't there better people?" or "Was she really that good of a person?"

In this situation, the Devil's advocate may not have a problem with Mother Teresa nor do they even know someone better suited to be a saint, but this challenge makes the church think before pronouncing someone as a saint. They are forced to research the person's life and create factual evidence as to why she should be a saint because one person questioned them.

Since the debate about Mother Teresa, they have done away with the Devil's advocate position. However, I resurrect that role in everyday life. No, I'm not criticizing the church for how they go about deciding who is a saint, but I take this role into the classroom.

In a philosophy of art course I am taking, I will challenge any one's normal belief that something is or is not art, whether I agree with them or not. If one person says that a man cutting open his chest on a stage in 1972 is not art, I say, "Why not?"

Boom. As simple as that, I have challenged their traditional way of thinking and make them defend their stance.

It is difficult to be the Devil's advocate because you

have to think of what will get a reaction out of the person you are addressing and often times you have to challenge your own personal beliefs. If one person says that the bleeding man on stage is just an idiot crying out for attention, I have to think how to counter that thought to yield a response. In that case, I would say, "In fact, the man on stage is a genius! He is challenging traditional views of art and establishing new artistic grounds." I may not even believe that, but the person will respond to it.

However, when you challenge another person's beliefs, their pride tends to get damaged and they become offensive, so you need to know when to stop and tell them that you were intentionally arguing everything they were saying. If you don't do this, they will think of you as obnoxious or that annoying kid who always asks questions in class.

Along with questioning my classmates, I like playing the Devil's advocate with my girlfriend. Suppose she says, "Oh, I love you." I will respond, "But why?" If there is any other question in the world that is more aggravating or pressure-filled, I would like to know it.

I'm not actually looking for a solid answer, but this question makes her think about our relationship and what she values most. She may stutter at the beginning or yell at me for asking such a dumb question, but it gets her thinking and reinvents her appreciation.

When you question the ones around you or the reasoning for people's decisions, actions or words, you learn a lot. You learn not only their thought process, but also new ideas and new ways of thinking.

So, the next time someone says they love you, just ask "Why?" and smile as they nervously search for reasons!

Respond to Stephan at
theneus@bgnews.com

Egypt triumphs and 'La Peste' possess similarities



MATHEW DAVOLI
COLUMNIST

Last Friday was a day for the history books. The president of Egypt stepped down and there were uncontrollable celebrations in the streets. Having written in a column that appeared on Feb. 4 that "... the Egyptian revolt may be put down," I was happy to be wrong.

Looking back, I am now struck by the similarities of the situation in Egypt and the situation in the fictitious story "La Peste" by Albert Camus of a city that suffered from plague in the neighboring country of Algeria. In both scenarios the people faced unrelenting persecution, and through solidarity and perseverance they were able to overcome their oppressor, be it unrelenting disease or unrelenting tyranny.

The fireworks going off in the air above Cairo are what really solidified the similarity

between the two situations, in that Camus gives them a starring role in the celebrations of the happy city in Algeria that had thrown off the yoke of the plague.

"From the dark harbor soared the first rocket of the fireworks display organized by the municipality, and the town acclaimed it with a long-drawn sigh of delight."

I do not only see a parallel between what I observed on the newscasts and in story, but I also feel solidarity with one of the observers in the crowd of that happy city in Algeria. I had a feeling toward the crowds in Egypt similar to Camus' Dr. Rieux's feeling towards the crowds in Algeria:

"... that Rieux could feel himself at one with them... in the midst of shouts rolling against the terrace wall in massive waves that waxed in volume and duration while cataracts of coloured fire fell thicker through the darkness."

Although it is pleasant to focus on the good feeling of the day, I could not stop myself from an additional

thought, also felt by Rieux: "... as he listened to the cries of joy rising from the town, Rieux remembered that such joy is always imperiled. He knew what those jubilant crowds did not know but could have learned from books; that the plague bacillus never dies or disappears for good..."

It is important for us to recognize that even now as cries of jubilation can still be heard in the streets of Cairo there is a specter haunting Egypt, the specter of tyranny. There will always be that impulse within certain people to dominate and oppress others, this threat never dies or disappears for good.

Perhaps the temporary military control of Egyptian society will be nothing but temporary. Perhaps free elections will take place, but a sort of Egyptian Hitler will work the system and seize power. Perhaps something entirely unexpected, but equally horrendous will happen.

History books teach us a sad reality; that successful revolutions founded upon

angelic principals all too often devolve into demonic regimes far worse than the ones they replaced. This is something that Egyptians may have to face.

I do not want to be all doom and gloom, though.

What happened last Friday was a beautiful triumph of the human spirit, and I in no way want to detract from the sublime beauty of that day.

I simply want to fulfill that unpleasant task of pointing out that there is no such thing as a "final victory." I do this not with despair, but with the hope that the spirit of Feb. 11 will never die or disappear and will achieve more victories in the battles to come.

I do not believe it to be a blind hope, though, because there is one more thought held by Rieux towards the celebrating crowds that I want to be on record agreeing with, "... that there are more things to admire in men than to despise."

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The reality of love is about being vulnerable



CHAD EVERY
COLUMNIST

William Blake once wrote, "We are here to learn to endure the beams of love." Over this past year, I think I am finally beginning to understand what that means.

It is truly an act of cruelty when someone attacks a friend where they are most vulnerable. It is truly a shame when someone has been so unloved in their life that when someone genuinely loves them, the only thing they know how to do is cut them down and push them away.

Being loved is about as hard as it is to actually love someone. True love is not contained to your favorite Paul Newman or Robert Redford films — true love can't be contained at all. True love is giving, no matter what. A girl I once loved told me, "I don't understand why you love me, I don't

deserve it" — and she was right — she didn't deserve it. But that's the reality and the beauty of agape love: none of us deserve it.

Being undeserving of love, but still being loved, is one of the most fragile yet overwhelmingly powerful feelings that exist in this world. It is something that has the potential to break down walls and to change people's lives forever — if they let it.

"We are here to learn to endure the beams of love."

I heard someone speaking a few weeks ago, and they were saying that some times people won't accept love. That no matter how much you or I care about someone, they will reject, push away and destroy something that shines light into their life. And that is the risk of loving someone with agape love — that in their reality, they don't want, or otherwise need love.

C.S. Lewis once said, "To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything and your heart will be wrung and possibly broken. If you want

to make sure of keeping it intact you must give it to no one, not even an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements. Lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket, safe, dark, motionless, airless, it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable. To love is to be vulnerable."

Being vulnerable is the reality of love. Being vulnerable is how we learn to endure the beams of love, and then eventually, how we learn to love.

A thought crushed my mind one morning, and it was that some people will refuse to be loved. Some people will never learn how to endure the beams of love and they will lock their heart up until it truly becomes "unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable."

The people that just wanted to love them become the broken and the forsaken, left with nothing because we gave everything to show

them what it means to be loved. We must learn to endure, though we must learn to forgive the fact that, as Lydia says in their song, "Now the One You Once Loved Is Leaving," that, "It's not your fault that no one taught you how ... now the one you once loved is leaving." We can't hold all the blame to people who, for whatever reason, were never taught how to accept love and how to return love.

We love from a distance, we love until we forget names and places and dates, we love until we can forgive them, we love realizing that sometimes people will reject it and cut us down for it. We are vulnerable even though we know some people will exploit and belittle us. We survive off the love our friends — because we're all in this together.

We love because love first loved us.

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7-11 P.M. Red Cross: Fire and Ice, Cla-Zel

7:05 P.M. Hockey game vs. Northern Michigan (senior night), BGSU Ice Arena

7-10 P.M. Public skating and free hot chocolate, BGSU Ice Arena small rink

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ALL DAY (Weather permitting) Ice sculptures displayed citywide

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9-9:45 A.M. Free family skate with the BG Skating Club, BGSU Ice Arena

10:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. Snow stories and snow globe craft, Wood

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11:30 A.M.-2:15 P.M. BG Youth Hockey House Team scrimmages, BGSU Ice Arena

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3:30-5:30 P.M. Public skating, BGSU Ice Arena

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7:05 P.M. Hockey game vs. Northern Michigan (Senior Night), BGSU Ice Arena

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SUNDAY, February 20

11:30 A.M. "Snow Dogs," Winter Movie Marathon, Union Theater

1 P.M. Adult coed corn hole tournament, BG City Park Vet South Building

1:30 P.M. "Happy Feet," Winter Movie Marathon, Union Theater

3:30-5:30 P.M. Public skating, BGSU Ice Arena

4 P.M. "Miracle," Winter Movie Marathon, Union Theater

6:30 P.M. "Cool Runnings," Winter Movie Marathon, Union Theater

Winter heat wave puts University festival on hot seat

Ice sculptures, outdoor skates most affected by higher temperatures

By Alex Aspacher
Reporter

Although a rise in temperature has many people looking forward to spring, Bowling Green is hosting a festival that was designed with cold in mind.

"If we have another 50-degree day, we might have to rethink the ice sculptures," said John Rankin, editor of BGLiving magazine. "We're going to have more than a dozen, but if it stays warm we might not be able to keep them outside as long."

Even though a winter warm-up may convince people to leave their homes and join the citywide events, potential record-setting temperatures could affect some of the plans.

The city's third Winterfest began Thursday and will continue through the weekend. It consists of themed events like skating, curling and ice sculpture demonstrations. The festival was created to support charities, provide the community with special winter events and celebrate Bowling Green's "awesome ice heritage," Rankin said.

Both the city and the University contribute to that history, Rankin said. Bowling Green has produced several top-rated skaters, and the University holds multiple team and individual championships in skating and hockey, including former Olympian Scott Hamilton.

Rankin said Winterfest originated in 2009 as a series of charity events to recognize the 25th anniversary of Hamilton's gold medal performance at the 1984 Winter Olympics in Sarajevo.

Outdoor skating events were scheduled at both the city park and the University,

although the University event has been moved indoors. The city constructed a temporary skating rink at the city park, but may still consider canceling its outdoor sessions, Rankin said.

"We have outdoor ice-skating events scheduled at the city park, but those are definitely still weather-permitting," said Wendy Stram, executive director of the Bowling Green Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Rankin organized the committee that plans and promotes Winterfest each year, but most events are managed by the organizations that will host them, he said.

"There are a lot of self-sustaining events that we pieced together, but most are controlled by the people who will run them," Rankin said. "This is part of one big, collaborative effort, and we're glad that BGSU is a part of that now."

This is the first year the University is participating in Winterfest, Rankin said. There will be many opportunities for "open skate," including a session offering free hot chocolate in the small rink during Friday night's hockey game vs. Northern Michigan, he said.

The University will also host a movie marathon in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union featuring Happy Feet, Miracle and Cool Runnings.

Even though skating may be limited to indoor sessions at the University ice arena, there are still plenty of Winterfest programs for visitors to enjoy, Stram said. These include Friday night events at Cla-Zel and Grumpy Dave's Pub, several University and youth hockey games, a chili cook-off, a Saturday morning fun run and a Sunday cornhole tournament.

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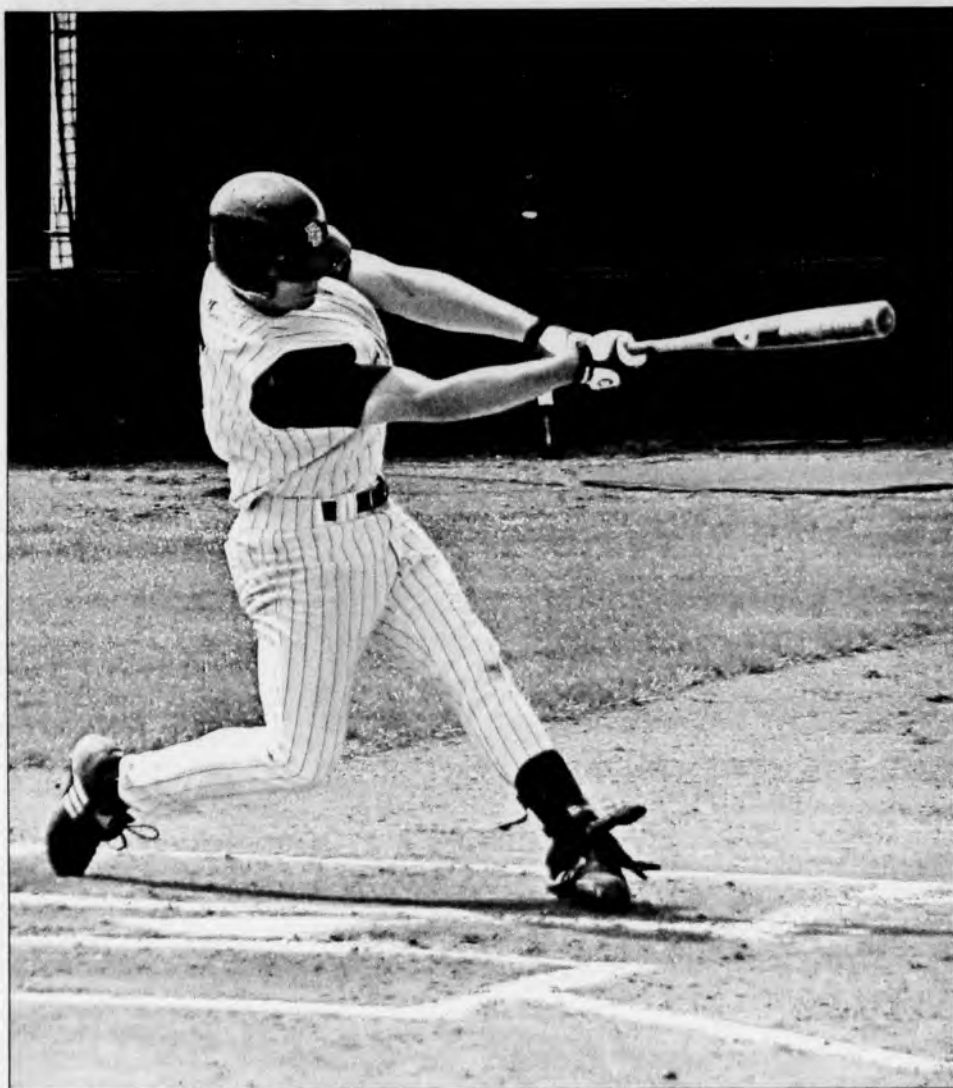
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BOYS OF SPRING: Jon Berti (pictured) and his BG teammates start the season on the road today in Bowling Green, Ky.

BG NEWS FILE PHOTO

Back in the swing of things

Falcon baseball team begins 2011 season at Western Kentucky

By Michele Wysocki
Reporter

The Falcon baseball team will head to Bowling Green, Ky. looking to start the season strong against the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers.

The 2011 Pre-Season Coaches Poll pegged BG to finish third in the Mid-American Conference East Division behind Kent State and Miami.

The Falcons and the Hilltoppers have only had two series in their history. Their first meeting was in 1985 and their most recent

meeting was in 2008. Overall, the Falcons are 2-5 against Western Kentucky University.

Coach Danny Schmitz is ready to get outside after spending all of spring training inside the Perry Field House.

"We're going down there to win," Schmitz said. "My plan for the first 10-15 [games] is to get the young players some experience, get their feet wet."

Schmitz wants the young players and the whole team to gain experience.

"Game experience is the key to getting better each day; our strategy is always to score one more run against the opposition," Schmitz said.

Since this is the Falcons' first series, pitchers will be on a pitch count. The starters will throw no more than 70-to-75 pitches.

"This is when the bullpen becomes vital; even then, they will still be on a pitch count," Schmitz added.

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Senior class leads Falcons into final home series of season

By Ryan Satkowiak
Assistant Sports Editor

For the past four years, the Falcons' seniors have put the troubles of the program aside and worked on improving themselves and raising the profile of the program.

Although small in overall size, this season's senior class — goalie Nick Eno; forwards David

Solway and Wade Finegan; and defenseman Andrew Krelove — has made strong contributions to a team that experienced more bad than good during their tenure.

"These are true Falcons, the four of them," said coach Chris Bergeron. "These guys have been

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BYRON MACK | THE BG NEWS

LAST STAND: David Solway and his senior teammates will play their final home games this weekend.

Gymnasts look to 'start over' Sunday against Ball State

By Becky Tener
Senior Reporter

The women's gymnastics team has had a difficult season.

What started as a year of promise crumbled due to injury and lack of confidence.

But Sunday, the Falcons will put every stumble, fall and disappointment behind them.

"We're starting over this week," said coach Kerrie Beach. "We're done being frustrated; we need to start again."

After the team fell to Eastern Michigan Saturday, its fourth-

"We've had so many upsets and falls and we just have to forget about it."

Kasey Fillmore | BG gymnast

straight Mid-American Conference loss, Beach said the team had had enough.

"When you lose every weekend

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Women's basketball travels to Miami

BG News Sports Staff

With four games left in the regular season, it doesn't look like the BG women's basketball team is going to win its seventh straight Mid-American Conference regular season championship.

That title will probably belong to rival Toledo — unless they lose at least three of their final four games — after they beat the Falcons for the

second straight year in the regular season.

However, the quest for a seventh straight MAC East title is still within reach, and continues Saturday afternoon at Miami.

Heading to Oxford for a 2 p.m. opening tip, BG will meet a Miami team that's struggled this season,

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Final four MAC games crucial for men's basketball team



PAUL BARNEY
SPORTS EDITOR

The BG men's basketball team isn't in trouble quite yet.

But if the Falcons don't snap out of the current funk they're in, they could find themselves missing out on the always important first

round bye in the Mid-American Conference Tournament.

At 7-5, BG is in a four-way tie for fourth in the league standings with Akron, Ball State and Buffalo.

But just last week, the Falcons looked as if they had overcome their early season woes and become a real threat to compete for a top seed in the conference tournament.

BG was 7-3 after its first 10 conference games and was in

a tie for second place in the standings, but a loss to Central Michigan and an embarrassing 35-point setback to Akron has dropped the Falcons down a couple spots.

The Falcons' offense against the Zips was one of the worst all season, shooting a dismal 31.2 percent from the field as it watched the Zips make it rain threes.

Akron's 89 points were the second-most given up by the Falcons all season as they didn't

have any answers at both ends of the floor.

Coach Louis Orr said the game was an "attention-getter" while co-captain Scott Thomas and his teammates held a players only meeting after the game and talked about coming together as a team — and it couldn't have come at a better time.

After the Falcons take a break from MAC play with an ESPN BracketBusters game at Youngstown State on Saturday,

BG will return for what will be four crucial conference games.

After Youngstown State, BG will resume play on the road at Ohio and Miami — two places the Falcons didn't fare too well in last season.

BG lost 82-60 at the Convocation Center in Athens, Ohio and dropped a 64-52 decision in Millet Hall in Oxford.

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FOOTBALL

McDaniel named D-line coach

Former Kent State assistant coach Larry McDaniel has been named the defensive line coach for the BG football team. McDaniel brings 12 years of Mid-American Conference experience.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Falcons travel to Youngstown State

After dropping its last two games, the BG men's basketball team will look to get back in the win column as it heads to Youngstown State on Saturday for the ESPN BracketBusters game.



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posting a conference-worst 2-9 record, but is still dangerous to BG's divisional title hopes.

BG's worst loss this season, a 66-55 setback to Western Michigan, came against the team currently last in the MAC West. Two years ago a loss at Miami probably doomed BG's chances of making the NCAA tournament.

That 2008-09 team went 30-6, but lost to Ball State in the MAC Tournament, missing out on the automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. Earlier in the season the Falcons had ranked in the top 25 and could have possibly received an at-large bid to the NCAAs, but a midseason loss — their lone conference regular season setback — sent BG to the NIT instead.

Saturday, an automatic berth to the NCAA isn't on the line. BG will have to win the MAC tournament to make the "Big Dance," but a loss to Miami could tighten the race in the MAC East and potentially hurt the Falcons' seeding for the postseason.

The game will feature two of the better scorers in the MAC, as Lauren Prochaska has been averaging 18.9 points a game for the Falcons and Miami is led by Courtney Osborne, who is averaging 17.3 points per game this season.

It will also be the second game in a row for BG that many of the fans will be wearing pink. Miami is hosting its "Think Pink" game to support breast cancer research, a cause Falcon fans supported in BG's win against Ohio Wednesday.

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In fact, the Falcons have not won in Oxford since Feb. 20, 2002.

The Falcons will then return home for their final two games in Anderson Arena against Kent State and Buffalo — two teams that are 7-5 or better in the MAC standings.

BG already lost to the Golden Flashes early this season by 17 points and just escaped with a 3-point double-overtime win at Buffalo.

Two tough games on the road, two tough games at home, the last four MAC games for the Falcons will be a challenge.

But if they can "come together" liked the players talked about after the Akron game, then they have a chance to end MAC play the same way it started and possibly get one of the top-four seeds.



BRINGING THE HEAT: Senior pitcher Charles Wooten is expected to start on the mound today.

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Schmitz is looking forward to seeing what his team can do outside after being indoors preparing for the season.

"We need to get on the dirt," he said. "Hitters need to hit outside. We need to practice grounders and fly balls. We try to cover all situations as best as we can indoors, but being outside is essential."

Captain Frank Berry is excited to get outside and play real games.

"I'm excited to start playing; we have been inside the past few months," Berry said. "For the first series, I think this is going to be the warmest weather we have had in a long time."

This is Berry's first season back after an arm injury; he will be taking over third

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Danny Schmitz | BG baseball coach

base instead of pitching.

"I am ready to have an everyday role," Berry said. "I am well prepared and I just want to get things rolling."

Schmitz and the players want to start playing, even if it means on the road.

Since BG sits in northern Ohio, the Falcons have to play the majority of their first month on the road in order to start the season with the rest of the teams.

"I don't mind the traveling," Schmitz said. "We want to start playing and it's a good way to build team chemistry."

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through a roller coaster ride that they didn't sign up for. When you're being recruited, you don't talk about three head coaches in four years and a win-loss record that looks like theirs does."

For one last time as college student-athletes, those four seniors will lead the Falcons (8-21-2, 3-18-3-1 Central Collegiate Hockey Association) onto home ice as the Falcons take on Northern Michigan.

The Wildcats come into this series with more at stake in the CCHA standings than the Falcons — who are guaranteed the 11th seed — as they are fighting for a chance to host a first round playoff

series. They are tied with Lake Superior and Alaska for the sixth seed in the conference.

"In that respect they have more on the line than we do, but we're not going to worry about that because we have plenty on the line for ourselves to worry about," Bergeron said.

The starter in goal for the Falcons Friday has not yet been announced. In the team's previous meeting in November, Eno was the more successful goalie, stopping 26 shots in a 2-1 win Friday night.

Andrew Hammond stopped 35 of 40 shots in a 5-1 loss the next night.

The depth of the Falcons, particularly on defense, may be tested this weekend, as both Ian Ruel (concussion) and Jake Sloat (quadriceps) are question-

able for the weekend.

Forward Marc Rodriguez — the team's second-leading scorer — is also questionable (concussion).

"I think that Ruel's [concussion] is less [severe] than Marc's is," Bergeron said. "I expect Sloat to be available to play this weekend. Whether or not he plays is another question."

Both games this weekend will start at 7:05 p.m. at the BGSU Ice Arena.

Saturday, the pregame ceremony for senior night is scheduled to begin about 15 minutes before the opening faceoff.

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GYM

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and you get in that pattern, there is no confidence building and they start to not be sure in 'can we do this,'" she said.

BG will have its final home meet in Anderson Arena against Ball State on Sunday at 2 p.m.

Beach said she is trying to be "cautiously optimistic" but feels like this week the performances will be different. She said she e-mailed each of the athletes her expectations for the rest of the season.

"This is the kind of thing we would be doing in the fall, but unfortunately we have to do it in the middle of the season," she said.

Beach said the Ball State meet is the right place to "start fresh" because many of the injured athletes will be back and ready to compete.

Senior Kasey Fillmore made her return as an all-around gymnast at EMU, competing on all four events.

"It feels really good to be back in all-around again because it's just what I love to do," she said. "When you're not competing on all the events you're like a different person to the team because you're there for

everyone else and instead of just yourself in that moment. It feels good because I know that I'm not the only one who is coming back."

Fillmore said she will add one more skill to her uneven bars routine this weekend to finish off her all-around lineup. The skill is the double layout she fell performing, which caused her injury.

"It took a long time to overcome [the fall]," she said.

Fillmore said starting over this week is just what the team needs.

"We've had so many upsets and falls and we just have to forget about it. We haven't been able to build off each week like you should do," she said. "We need a fresh start and start building off next week. We're all excited for better things to happen."

Beach said the coaching staff is going to change the way they coach the team.

"We're going to work hard at picking people up before they fall and trying to intervene right away," she said. "We want them hear it. We want them to see it and at the end of the day feel it. That's the part that only they can do. Try to get them to wipe out the past."



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SamB's offers more upscale choices like variations of seafood, steaks, desserts and wine. While SamB's options are a nice change of pace from Easy Mac, they may be difficult to afford on a college student's budget.

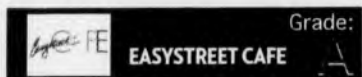
SamB's Bistro Diplomat steak topped with Crab Imperial is good, but it only comes with a small side of mashed potatoes and a vegetable for \$20.

SamB's also serves potato chips with burgers and charges extra to substitute french fries, something that has almost become a staple in the college student diet.

Although SamB's has a variety of options, its prices do not match the quality and amount of food served with each meal.

SamB's is a good decision for dinner if someone else is paying for it, or if you are trying to impress a first date with the menu's high prices.

—MAX FILBY



Grade: **A**

Easystreet Cafe in Bowling Green has a large menu and a comfortable downtown atmosphere for lunch or dinner.

I've been told I have conservative taste buds, which is a nice way of saying I don't vary my selections very often when eating out. But Easystreet has so many good options that it doesn't matter if you're picky.

Located on Main Street, Easystreet can be spotted by looking for its green awning and brick building. If you have the time, wait for a seat near the front windows and enjoy watching road and foot traffic passing by while you eat.

Easystreet runs daily specials, which appear on a chalkboard outside the entrance, as well as the soup of the day. The restaurant can be pretty crowded

sometimes, and there is often a wait during peak dinner hours.

There are many appetizers, hamburgers, sandwiches and dinners to choose from, as well as a full bar and a pub called Grumpy Dave's above the restaurant. Menu prices range from average to somewhat high, at least for college students.

However, the portions at Easystreet match the prices. Appetizers are served on large platters, and can make for substantial meals on their own. Easystreet makes a good burger, and they'll even substitute bison and elk meat for an additional charge, which are healthier alternatives for beef.

Easystreet Cafe serves more interesting items on their menu than I can describe, so head downtown and check it out.

—ALEX ASPACHER



Grade: **A+**

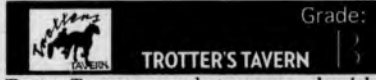
A Bowling Green classic and personal favorite, El Zarape offers the best Mexican food in town. From their chile rellenos to their shrimp quesadillas, every item on their menu is worth a try and better yet is affordable on a college budget.

El Zarape offers \$7 combination plates with rice and beans next to a variety of main dishes that will appeal to anyone's Mexican food cravings. Many of their main menu dishes, like their quesadillas and specialties, don't exceed \$10, so you can afford one of their delicious margaritas (if you're 21) to go with your meal. They offer a selection of fruit-flavored margaritas and daiquiris, and I have yet to try a flavor I don't like.

Beside the prices, the flavor of the food and the quality of the service at El Zarape set it above other Mexican restaurants. Every dish is prepared with mouth-watering quality and they never keep you waiting and hungry for long. The chips and salsa (try the queso, too) don't hurt when it comes to curbing your hunger, either.

All in all, this is one of the restaurants in Bowling Green I recommend most often and frequent most.

—ALISSA O'NEILL



Grade: **B**

Trotter's Tavern serves what many people might tell you is the best steak in Bowling Green.

Now that I think about it, there are actually very few places in town that could attempt to compete with what Trotters has to offer.

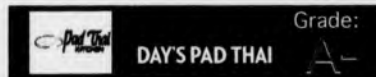
The tavern feels like exactly that — Trotters has a small dining area, a bar, a kitchen and not much else. High and low-top wooden tables with white tablecloths fill the room and art and memorabilia line the walls.

Trotters can't boast the best service in the world, but the servers are typically friendly and knowledgeable. The restaurant frequently gets busy at peak times, even on a Wednesday, and tables can be hard to come by when Trotters is filled with older adults sharing drinks after work.

I've actually been unable to speak with anyone who has ordered anything other than Trotters's signature menu items referred to as the Brown Jugs. They make the dinners with either chicken or steak, and the steak comes in two sizes. Only order the larger steak if you're truly starving, because the meals come with a salad, fries and a roll as well.

Admittedly, I don't know enough about food to accurately describe the flavors of the sauce that makes the Brown Jug dinners so delicious. But that hardly matters. The result is Trotters's claim to fame, and the only reason I've ever gone to the restaurant for dinner. I'm sure they make other good food as well, but Trotters brown jug steak and chicken meals should not be missed or overlooked.

—ALEX ASPACHER



Grade: **A-**

Tucked away in the Greenwood Centre shopping complex, next to Uraku, red paper lanterns light the intimate dining room of Day's Pad Thai. Several four-top tables line one wall of freshly carved light wood benches. The illuminated-window decorations create an simplistic, hip dining atmosphere that could easily transport diners to Asia — if not for the flat screen TV hanging above one exit and smooth jazz pumping through the stereo.

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"THE PEOPLE'S KEY"

ALBUM
■ Artist | BRIGHT EYES
■ Grade | B

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"JUSTIN BIEBER NEVER SAY NEVER"

MOVIE
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WHAT ZACH GASE THINKS:

On Bright Eyes' seventh and rumored to be final release, "The People's Key," Conor Oberst steps away from the Americana sound from his recent solo work and their previous album "Cassadaga." Oberst, who has been dubbed the next Bob Dylan by critics, draws from several unlikely influences for the Omaha, Neb., band's latest offering. The album opens and closes with Denny Brewer's bizarre, yet well-spoken, monologues about aliens, time travel and other science fiction topics. These monologues also reflect a lot of Oberst's lyrical content.

On producer and multi-instrumentalist Mike Mogis's slow driven instrumental of "Approximate Sunlight," Oberst sings, "we used to dream about time machines, now it's been said, we're post everything."

Oberst subtly references Neopaganism and Christianity on "Triple Spiral," which is one of his most complex and well-crafted writings on the album.

Another large influence in "The People's Key" is Rastafarianism. "Halle Selassie" is titled after the Rastafarian messiah. And the album's finale, "One for You, One for Me" has lyrics reflecting the Rastafarian symbol of I and I.

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WHAT JONATHAN KEILHOLZ THINKS:

The Twitter world exploded Sunday when the Grammy's presented Best New Artist to Esperanza Spalding, a virtually unknown jazz musician from Portland, Ore.

While fans of Mumford & Sons, Florence and the Machine and Drake mentioned their disappointments, the onslaught of angry tweets came from one of Twitter's most prominent groups — the Beliebers.

Justin Bieber's fans were so angry that they hacked Spalding's Wikipedia page. The page's posts said "Justin Bieber deserved it: go die in a hole. Who the heck are you anyway?" Another Belieber, who neglected to use her spell check, said "Biber 4 Lyfe."

Despite the loss, the 16-year-old sensation won't bemoan the incident for too long. With help from his armies of fans, Bieber's biopic "Justin Bieber: Never Say Never" landed at No. 2 in the box office this past weekend, grossing more than \$30 million.

The 3-D documentary follows the newcomer on a 10-day journey of preparation for his performance at Madison Square Garden. Behind-the-scenes videos and the YouTube videos that instigated Bieber fever intertwine with concert

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Grunge show in Glass City's Omni encourages fans to come as they are

By Danae King and Stephan Reed
The BG News

The air smelled like teen spirit as Nirvana tribute band Nevermind hit the Omni stage Friday night.

Nevermind is the first of a five-part series of cover bands that the Omni, in Toledo, is hosting every Friday.

Nevermind began in Chicago and consists of three members: Jay Veldman, who portrays front man Kurt Cobain; Barrett Gazaldo, who performs as bassist Krist Novoselic and Jamie Seiwert, who impersonates drummer Dave Grohl.

According to Veldman, he created an original band in 1991. However, the cover band began in 2005 with the original lineup.

When you play as a tribute band "the music is more accessible and easier to market," Veldman said.

The band is more concerned with sounding like Nirvana rather than looking like them. However, they are still looking to improve the visual aspect of their show.

"I'm still having trouble finding a



STEPHAN REED | THE BG NEWS

IN BLOOM: Frontman Jay Veldman, who portrays Kurt Cobain in the Nirvana tribute band Nevermind, sings huge hits from Seattle's grunge era in the early 1990s.

TONIGHT IN BG

The Cla-Zel rocks the Red Cross

The Cla-Zel Theatre on Main Street will be sponsoring "Fire & Ice 2011: Rock N Roll for the Red Cross," an event honoring the American Red Cross in Wood County. The event starts at 7 p.m. Friday and costs \$25 for a single ticket, \$40 for a couple. The event will feature celebrity bartenders, live music, raffles and food. All proceeds of the event will benefit the American Red Cross of Wood County.

NEXT WEEK IN TOLEDO

Frankies Innercity tunes up karaoke

Every Monday night at Frankies Innercity in Toledo hosts "Auto Tune Karaoke." Doors open at 9 p.m. and karaoke goes from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. The event is free and the bar includes drink specials. "It's basically a normal karaoke night with a few twists," said Stage Manager Ian Thomas.

THEY SAID IT

"Be led by your talent, not by your self-loathing; those other things you just have to manage." —Russell Brand

THIS WEEK IN ENTERTAINMENT:



BILLY RAY'S HEART IS ONCE AGAIN ACHY AND BREAKY

In an interview with Details magazine, Billy Ray Cyrus said he is scared for his daughter, Miley. "I'll tell you right now—that damn show destroyed my family," he said about Disney Channel's "Hannah Montana," which both Billy Ray and Miley starred in. Billy Ray recently filed for divorce and said he's concerned for Miley, especially after a video of her smoking salvia surfaced. "She's got a lot of people around her that's putting her in a great deal of danger," he said.

COMPUTERS TAKE OVER ON 'JEOPARDY'



"I for one welcome our new computer overlords," former "Jeopardy" champion Ken Jennings wrote under his Final Jeopardy answer at the end of the three-day challenge that faced him against a IBM supercomputer. The computer, called Watson, won the contest and a \$1,000,000 prize which will be donated to charity. Jennings came in second and fellow Jeopardy champion Brad Rutter finished last.

REVIEWS

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While I am not a fan of televisions in restaurants and smooth jazz in general, I am a fan of Day's Pad Thai. So much so, I name it the best Thai restaurant in Northwest Ohio.

On our first visit to Day's Pad Thai, the host and server Jake warmly welcomed my husband and me, and after seating us Jake cheerfully explained the menu as well as described the many types of sake available. Heeding Jake's advice we opted for the house sake; smooth and warm, it was a perfect choice on a frigid night. After giving us a few moments to settle in and study the menu, Jake returned and eagerly answered our questions. Quality service is essential to any dining experience, and it was a joy to finally encounter an intelligent server who understands the menu and who can articulate flavor profiles. Hats off to Day's Pad Thai for emphasizing service. We followed Jake's educated, excellent recommendations and ordered steamed dumplings — three pork and three veggie — for an appetizer (\$4.99).

Day's dumplings strike a perfect balance between dough and filling. The dough was silky yet firm, which let the flavors in the filling shine. The vegetable filling has a delightful crunch while the heat and salt in the pork filling sang on the palate. The soy dipping sauce with added spices brought together the flavors into a perfect bite.

For his entree, my husband followed Jake's recommendation and ordered Pad Thai with beef (\$10.99). (Every entrée can be served mild, medium or hot; my husband and I admire heat quite a bit so we both chose medium for our meals.) Day's interpretation of this traditional Thai noodle dish is spot on. The grilled flavor of the beef perfectly accompanied the velvety texture of the noodles and the crunch of the bean sprouts, green onions and peanuts. For the record, I had insane food envy through the entire meal; it was the best Pad Thai I have ever eaten, and I've had fantastic Pad Thai in Cleveland and Chicago.

I selected Gang Keaw Warn (Green Curry) with chicken (\$10.99). The curry was smoky and velvety, an excellent sauce

for the succulent chicken and fresh eggplant and zucchini. A delightful balance of textures and flavors, the green curry presented a refreshing escape from the soups that most Thai curries become. Served with white rice, this dish was an ideal portion for one. In the future, I will try Gang Pha (Jungle Curry), which comes with a plethora of fresh vegetables, lemon grass, lime leaves, galanga, and cilantro—another dish highly recommended by Jake.

The fried rice entrees are other must-try dishes (\$10.99). The Kow Pad Sup Pra Rud (fried rice with pineapple) sounds exciting and lively with green onion, tomato, and pineapple. Kow Pad (Thai style fried rice) is sure not to disappoint as well!

Day's Pad Thai offers ample options for vegetarians too. Tofu can be chosen as a protein, and the Crispy Fried Tofu appetizer with coconut sauce sounds amazing. Of course, the (\$1.99) makes a wonderful snack or side dish for any food lover.

There's no doubt in my mind that Day's Pad Thai will become a Bowling Green favorite. The tasty authentic cuisine and reasonable prices make it an ideal choice for weeknight take-out or weekend dining. Right now, Day's Pad Thai has limited hours (Monday-Friday 5-9 p.m.) and a limited menu while the chefs perfect their vision, but expect Day's to be completely open for business by the middle of March. In the meantime, I guarantee any fan of Thai will not be disappointed with the apps, fried rice, noodles and curries currently available. If anything, that initial taste of Day's will leave you craving for even more.

-AMANDA MCGUIRE RZCZNEK



Max and Erma's in Levis Commons never disappoints.

It's affordable, filling and delicious.

It may just be the pride of Perrysburg, as evident with the many Perrysburg signs, letterman's jackets and sports pictures hanging on the wall.

The food is always scrumptious. The "pick two" option is a nice option if you just cannot decide what to get. Their French fries are always a must-have. And don't even get me started on their tortilla soup. It's truly

the best thing on the menu.

Max and Erma's is known for its cookies. Ordered at the beginning of the meal and received at the end, the cookies are always fresh out of the oven, ooey, gooey and warm. It's the best time to eat a cookie, right?

But, I have to say, the best quality Max and Erma's has is the awesome service. The waiters are always the friendliest and have the same feel as a small town diner would have.

If looking to get out of the Bowling Green area for a nice meal, go to Max and Erma's. After the meal, Levis Commons offers you a chance to grab a coffee or look through Books-A-Million too. It'd be a cute date that way. Believe me; that's what the agenda was for a lot of mine.

-MATT LIASSE



There is a time when college students need to let loose. A bar that has endless drinks and appetizers just hits the spot.

But unlike most of the bars here in Bowling Green, Bar Louie, located in Levis Commons, is a little more demanding on the wallet.

When celebrating a friend's birthday back in October, I simply ordered one strawberry margarita. It came in a tall, skinny glass, so three sips through a straw later, it was gone. When I got the bill later, I discovered I just drank a \$9 drink. Needless to say, it wasn't worth it.

The bar is not good for a romantic date either. There is often loud dance music playing or a live act of some sort, so be sure to leave your inside voices at home.

The bar does have some fine qualities.

Every Wednesday night is "Dollar Beer Night." When receiving the bill on a Wednesday, there never seems to be disappointment there, unless your face was stuffed with appetizers as well.

The high ceilings, huge booths and big bar area also allows a crowd.

The wide arrangement of food offered by Bar Louie will far from disappoint as well.

Their homemade macaroni and cheese is to die for, and the mystery behind its awesome taste is hard to solve. The appetizers offered are also worth checking out.

A word of advice for when visiting Bar Louie: Prepare to spend a pretty penny. But with the big portions the bar offers, you will be have a full belly at the end of the night.

The bar is all ages until 10 p.m., it then becomes only ages 21 and up.

-MATT LIASSE



There's not a sports bar quite like Granite City.

The restaurant located in Fallen Timbers is almost as if high class meets sports bar.

There are televisions all around for anyone hoping to catch a game, but there's more than just chicken tenders on the menu.

The very diverse menu is the ultimate best part. It offers virtually everything, so when going with a big group, everyone is satisfied. It includes hefty portions of nachos, flatbread pizzas, a number of different soups and salads, sandwiches, burgers, pastas, seafood or steak. Granite City, also referred to as "GC" has their own home-style meatloaf that is what your heart desired.

The thing to remember is Granite City is ultimately a brewery, so if you're 21 years of age, purchasing a beer is almost a law. The restaurant brews six different beers daily, including Northern Light Lager (my personal favorite) Broad Axe Stout, Brother Benedicts Bock, Duke of Wellington, Two Pull and Wag's Wheat. The menu describes each beer, either dark or light, and even tells the customer which beer goes perfectly with the dinner they choose. It's almost like they are doing the ordering for you.

The place is pricey, do not get me wrong. You may have to do some saving before eating at this establishment. But, unlike other places, the big bill at the end of the dinner will be totally worth it. The food is top-notch.

-MATT LIASSE

EYES

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The album's most stand-out track is "Ladder Song." The track is a raw, stripped down track featuring Oberst's classic wavering vocals over a dusty, haunting piano backdrop.

The song is about his friend who committed suicide during the writing and recording of "The People's Key." The extremely emotional song is similar to much of his early works (most notably the "Fevers and Mirrors" album), and is a prime example of his brilliance of his songwriting ability.

"The People's Key" probably won't go down as Oberst, Mogis and keyboardist Nate Walcott's best effort. But it cer-

tainly is one of the most intriguing. What has made Oberst one of our generation's most prolific songwriters is his ability to recreate himself time and time again. "The People's Key" is filled with extremely dense lyricism filled with metaphors and allusions that will exhaust your Google and Wikipedia searches. That's what makes this album so interesting. It has gotten more interesting every time I've listened to it, and I feel like I'm catching something new every time I listen to it. But the overall message, of love, compassion and mercy, is made by Brewer's closing words: "When there's total enlightenment, the world will be at peace."

BIEBER

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footage from his wickedly successful My World Tour. Music moguls, such as Usher, Boys II Men and Miley Cyrus, were "surprisingly" available to perform with Bieber during the taping. Some say the film is a promotional machine, which is true. Bieber's agent Scooter Braun produced the film, so a significant amount of bias can be expected. Any potential Bieber flaws do not dominate the story. Bieber retains his squeaky-clean image and resonates as the ideal underdog. Losing his voice, an identity crisis and even a broken leg can't hold Bieber down from accomplishing his dream. Does Braun want fans to believe in Bieber? Yes. Does Braun want fans to buy his music? Duh.

Others say the film is an inspiring tale of conquering your dreams, which is also true. While the documentary might be biased, director John Chu—who also directed "Step Up 3D"—deserves props for putting together an inspiring flick. Old home movies show a young Bieber practicing on his instruments with a certain sparkle in his eye, ready to take on the

world. There is something genuine and pure about the young musician as he performs for his mom's VHS camera. But in the newer footage, this wide-eyed child has vanished. During Bieber's return to his hometown of Stratford, Ontario, Justin approaches a girl playing a violin on the street. He awkwardly tells her, "Don't give up on your dreams." Of course, he exhibits this cookie-cutter appearance for his camera crew. Would the real Bieber encourage a random girl on the street if the cameras weren't rolling? The documentary leaves the viewer questioning Bieber's true character, but the ideas of determination and dedication overshadow most criticisms. With his personal drive, and not to mention his enormous fan base, he could accomplish anything. The viewer feels empowered to do so as well. Who knows? Maybe all it really takes is a simple video upload to YouTube. As for next year's award show, the question lingers whether Bieber will have enough gusto to take home a Grammy. The star will no longer be eligible to win Best New Artist, but numerous other categories could be calling his name. Will the multi-platinum artist still be on top in 2012? Bieber would have to reply, "Never say never."

NIRVANA

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wig," said Seiwert, a broadcast journalism major at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Veldman added they were also having trouble finding the "right dresses," which Nirvana was famous for performing in.

Along with the three-piece act, they also perform an unplugged version, complete with a cello player.

The band has performed in 39 states and hope to expand their tours with trips to Hawaii and Alaska in the future.

Performing as another band runs the risk of criticism from die-hard fans — and also the risk of physical harm, said Veldman.

During a show in 2006, Veldman attempted to jump over Seiwert's drum kit, but came crashing into a brick wall, resulting in a concussion and the show's premature end.

According to Gazaldo, who also works at a recording stu-

dio and has his own home studio, living on the road isn't too much of a strain on their wallets because the band lives out of their car when they are touring and performing covers all their expenses.

This is the third time Nevermind has graced the stage of the Omni, said Omni promoter Troy Michaels.

"This is the known Friday place to be," Michaels said. A band called "Shadows in Red" opened for Nevermind. Michaels looks to local bands to warm up the audience for the night's featured act.

Opening bands usually perform for about 45 minutes and receive 100 tickets to give to their local fans, according to Michaels.

"The tickets I give them are numbered so I can tell how loyal of a fan base they have," said Michaels. "If they only have 20 people show up, then that's not very good."

The Omni looks to host other tribute bands in upcoming weeks, including Mr. Speed, a KISS cover band, and Frontier, a Journey cover band.



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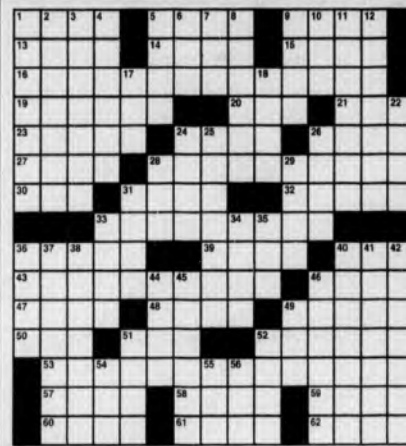
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ACROSS

1 Rigged support
5 Curve of a cabriolet leg
9 Sheet of stamps
13 "So that's how it's going to be"
14 Anago and unagi
15 An amulet may ward it off, pur-
portedly
16 Move from Crystal to Caesar's?
19 Danish poker star Gus
20 Curling surface
21 Texter's "Heavens!"
23 Oscar night figure
24 Small, vocal bird
26 — market
27 Cliff, Carlos and Derrek of base-
ball
28 Antelope of questionable virtue?
30 Mag wheels?
31 Pound output
32 Has a powerful desire (for)
33 "Another regulation, sorry to
say?"
36 Gait between walk and canter

39 Wine Train valley
40 MoveOn.org, e.g.: Abbr.
43 Greengrocer's grab bags?
46 Hole maker
47 Mongol sovereign
48 Trap, in a way
49 "Cheers" waitress
50 Sixth rock from the sun: Abbr.
51 Rye go-with
52 Repartee
53 1997 Kevin Spacey film, and a
hint to this puzzle's theme
57 Lowdown
58 "Exodus" novelist
59 Compass —
60 Riding
61 Took off
62 Dot and Flik, in "A Bug's Life"

1 "Glee" star Lea —
2 Embarrassed
3 Medium settings
4 Time indicators of a sort
5 Gung-ho
6 Rebirth prefix
7 "The Silmarillion" being
8 Uses binoculars, say
9 Athlete dubbed "O Rei do
Futebol"
10 Gardner of "Mayerling"
11 French president
Sarkozy
12 Gold or silver
17 "Hmm ..."
18 Embarrassing marks
22 Roams
24 Troubles
25 Jennifer Crusie's genre
26 Obstacle for Santa?
28 Mauna —
29 2004 Anne Hathaway
title role
31 Responded in court
33 King of comedy
34 Shed tool
35 Adds to
36 Sets a price
37 Jackson dubbed
"Queen of Gospel"
38 Sticking out
40 Helping
41 In any case
42 River to Boston
Harbor
44 Seven-time N.L. bat-
ting champ Musial
45 Two or three bags of
groceries, say
46 Transforming syllable
49 Lockup
51 Stud alternative
52 As good as it gets
54 Corp. exec
55 Fury
56 "What's the ___?"

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*1:45 *4:30 7:25 10:10

Unknown (PG-13)
*1:40 *4:25 7:20 10:05

Just Go With It (PG-13)
*1:30 *4:20 7:10 10:00

Gnomi and Juliet 3D (G)
*2:25 *4:50 7:35 9:55

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